

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hervé LE FLOCHE) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: Unassigned) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The cited documents may be relevant because they were cited in a Search Report issued in a counterpart French application. In particular, these documents were cited as technological background art (category "A"). A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

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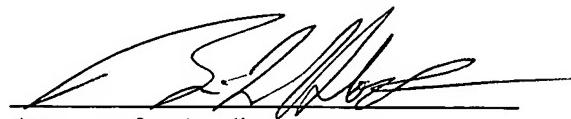
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</i>							
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